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She Did as She Was Told.
Miss—I told you half an hour ago to turn on the gas in the parlor. Bridget.

Bridget—Sure an' I did, mum; don't yer smell it?—Tid-Bits.

Experience Enough.
"I might give you a place as floor-walker," said the merchant to the applicant for a situation, "if you had any experience."

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Development of Kite Flying.
"Kite flying," said one of the weather bureau kite experts to a Star reporter, "has always been an interesting sport for boys, but the interest in it never equalled that which is now evidenced on every side. It may be too much for the average boy to make one of the box kites, from which such good results are anticipated by the weather bureau, for they are somewhat difficult to make, and to raise and fly after they are made. Still, no doubt many of them will try it, and I am told that the authorities will make no objection to the boys using the White Lot or the monument grounds for that purpose. I can give the boys a pointer on kite flying, however, even if they do not try the box kite. Let them make the ordinary three-stick kite, but instead of one make three or four kites. Have them rigged up in pairs, or three if desired, so that they will fly about five or six yards from each other. This can be arranged by the length of the string. Then give them about forty yards of string and send up a couple of other kites, in pairs as before. The whole are to be flown by one string. The four kites will, of course 'pull' four times as much as one kite will, but the combination will take up a great deal of string. Flying a team of kites of this kind is a favorite amusement of the boys in Denmark, and it furnishes them with a great deal of sport. The Chinese boys go further, and sometimes send up a series of kites, running from ten to fifty kites, all from the same string. The rarely fly them in teams, however, preferring to rig them so that when they are in the air they look like a long-tailed dragon. They use fancy colored paper in their kites, red, of course, predominating. Any of the Chinese laundrymen in the city will explain how the dragon kites are rigged."—Washington Star.

Great Mountain Sheep.
The Great mountain sheep of Northern Asia is one of the wildest of animals. Furnished with extraordinarily keen sense of sight and smell, and affecting the most open ground at high altitudes, it is very difficult to approach within rifle shot. The best time to get a shot is at noon on a bright day, when the animals seek a secluded spot on the hill slope to sleep away the hot hours. The wind is then blowing up from the lower grounds, and the sportsman endeavors to get above the sheep, that his presence may not be betrayed to the animal's nose. The great difficulty is to reach a spot whence a shot can be obtained without being detected by the game. Once in a good position—say within a hundred and fifty yards—the beast offers an easy mark to one accustomed to judge distances in the deceptive mountain atmosphere, as an adult ram stands fully four feet at the shoulder, and often remains listening for a few moments after being disturbed by the report of the rifle. It gazes intently downward, having learned by experience that danger from its natural foes may be expected from below.

How Potatoes May be Spoiled.
In a bulletin issued by Professor Snyder, of the Minnesota State Agricultural College, he makes a point of interest to the housewife. He shows that where potatoes are peeled and started boiling in cold water there is a loss of 80 per cent. of the total albumen, and where they are not peeled and are started in hot water this loss is reduced to two per cent. A bushel of potatoes, weighing 60 pounds, contains about two pounds of total nitrogenous compounds. When improperly cooked one-half of a pound is lost, containing six-tenths of a pound of the most valuable proteins. It requires all of the protein from nearly two pounds of round beefsteak to replace the loss of protein from improperly boiling a bushel of potatoes.

Wiggins—What makes you so certain of Bawler's patriotism?—Boggs—Why, he just boils over with indignation when he hears of the wrongs of foreigners that we have no interest in!—Truth.

Teacher—I want each of you to make a sentence, using the word "delight" in it. Small boy (colored)—De wind come in de winder an' blowed out de light.—Philadelphia Ledger.

"Does your minister practice what he preaches?" "He has preached it so often he doesn't need to practice it any more."—Detroit Journal.

POPULAR SCIENCE.
The difference between a planet and a star is this: A star shines by its own light; a planet by light reflected from another body.
The poles of Jupiter are flattened almost exactly like those of the earth. The phenomenon can be plainly seen with the telescope.
In the useful report of Dr. Lintner, State Entomologist of New York, it is stated that the little red ant, a pest introduced from Europe, has the single redeeming feature that it is an active and efficient enemy of the bedbug.
The Pleiades contain six stars visible to eyes of ordinary keenness, though twelve or fourteen have been counted in this cluster by persons of extraordinary eyesight. A two-inch telescope shows about sixty stars in this cluster.
Our present knowledge of X rays may be summed up by saying that the rays from a discharging apparatus are a mixture varying in absorptibility and intensity, that the composition depends chiefly on the duration of the discharging current, that different bodies absorb different kinds of rays, and that the X rays are produced by the cathode rays and the phenomena of both are probably of the same nature.
The scheme of covering the Sahara with forest is pronounced by M. P. Privat-Deschenel utterly impracticable, the arid plateaus being hopeless desert. On a limited scale, however, the valleys—most of which are favored with a small amount of water—may be successfully planted with tamarisk, acacia, eucalyptus and poplar, the last-named tree having unexpectedly proven the most suitable. In the forest shelter vegetables and fruit trees may be grown.
William H. Dall, of the Smithsonian Institution, says in Science that "during the early days of the whale fishery, several well attested instances occurred of whales struck in one ocean, as the Atlantic, being afterward killed in the North Pacific, and vice versa." This would indicate that some whales are great travelers, for to get from the Atlantic to the North Pacific they would have to go many thousands of miles, passing either around Cape Horn, or around the northern end of North America and through Bering Strait.

Men of science sometimes make extraordinary demands upon the skill of instrument makers. An interesting illustration is furnished by the instrument called the "microtome," the purpose of which is to cut excessively thin slices, or sections, of various substances, such as animal or vegetable tissues, for microscopic examination. Microtomes have recently been invented, which, it is claimed, can cut successive sections each only one-thousandth of an inch thick! The edge of the knife which makes such cuts appears perfectly smooth and straight when magnified fifty times.

An International Hencoop.
Amasa Barrow has a chicken ranch not far from Nogales, Arizona, on which he has divided matters between conscience and thrift with true Yankee ingenuity, says the New York Sun. Barrow's local nick name is Old Henosty, and those who know him best do not hesitate to declare that he wouldn't take an advantage even in a horse trade. He is a survival of the severe old Puritan morality which held that to take a pin was as bad as to take a pocket-book, and he governs his daily life by its principles. But that does not hinder him from being as anxious as the next man to get hold of a good thing. So when he decided to start a chicken ranch near Nogales he saw at once the big advantage it would give him to grow his chickens across the line in Old Mexico. But he wanted to supply the Arizona trade, and to pay duties would eat up his profits.

But to Yankee ingenuity the thing was easy enough. Barrow just built an international henhouse. American money changed into Mexican means nearly \$2 for \$1, while the cheap prices of labor and products increase the advantage of the buyer. But his chickens and eggs would command far higher prices on the Arizona side of the line. If he bought his grain and other feed for his chickens in Mexico he would get it for about half what it would cost him in Arizona. But Amasa Barrow would not smuggle chicken feed across the boundary. That would be stealing. So he built a long coop or pen half on the Arizona side and half extending down into Mexico. He buys all his supplies on the other side and stores them there in sheds. Never a grain of his chicken feed is carried across the border. When he wants to feed his chickens he opens the gate between the two parts of the pen and drives the flock into Mexico, where they feed on Mexican grain. When they have eaten their fill he shoos them back to the other end, where, under the folds of the Stars and Stripes, they lay their eggs and hatch their young.

Two Wire Breaks.
Wire Commissioner Flood had on exhibition a section of a limb of a red oak tree, eight inches in diameter, which was burned through, making charcoal of the wood, last week, at Jamaica Plain, by a cable of the Suburban electric railway line resting upon it. It was done during one of the heavy rain storms. The cable had its original insulated covering, but the covering becoming soaked with water ceased to be a protection against the electric current in the cable.
Another curiosity, showing the danger from electricity, is a heavy wire gay rope of a derrick that was burned off, having fallen on a trolley wire of the West End Company, on Center street, near Heath street, Roxbury, a few days ago.—Boston Herald.

A MOTHER'S EFFORT.
A Mother Sees Her Daughter in a Pitiful Condition, but Manages to Rescue Her.
From the New Era, Greensburg, Ind.
The St. Paul correspondent for the New Era recently had an item regarding the case of Mabel Stevens, who had just recovered from a serious illness of rheumatism and nervous trouble, and was able to be out for the first time in three months. The letter stated that it was a very bad case and her recovery was considered such a surprise to the neighbors that it created considerable gossip.
Being anxious to learn the absolute facts in the case, a special reporter was sent to have a talk with the girl and her parents. They were not at home, however, being some distance away. A message was sent to Mr. Stevens, asking him to write up a full history of the case, and a few days ago the following letter was received from Mrs. Stevens:
"ST. PAUL, IND., Jan. 20, 1897.
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"Dear Sir: Your kind letter received and I am glad to have the opportunity to tell you about the sickness and recovery of Mabel. We don't want any newspaper publicity, but in a case like this where a few words of what I have to say may mean recovery for some child, I feel it my duty to tell you of her case.
"Two years ago this winter Mabel began complaining of pains in her limbs, principally in her lower limbs. She was going to school, and had to walk about three quarters of a mile each day, going through all kinds of weather. She was thirteen years old and doing so well in her studies that I disliked to take her from school but we had to. For several months she was confined to the house, and she grew pale and dwindled down to almost nothing. Her legs and arms were drawn up and her appearance was pitiful. Several doctors had attended her, but it seemed that none of them did her any good. They advised us to take her to the springs, but times were so hard we could not afford it, although we finally managed to get her to the Martinsville baths. Here she grew suddenly weaker, and it seemed that she could not stand it. She became better, and it seemed that she was being benefited, but she suddenly grew worse and we had to bring her home. She lingered along, and last winter became worse again, and was afflicted with a nervous trouble almost like the St. Vitus dance. For some time we thought she would die, and the physicians gave her up. When she was at her worst a neighbor came with a box of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, and we were able to get her to take a few pills, and waiters to try them. They were advertised to be good for such cases, and her daughter had used them for nervousness with such good results that she thought they might help Mabel.
"We tried them. The first box helped her some, and after she had taken three boxes she was able to sit up in bed. When she had finished a half dozen boxes she was able to be out and about. She has taken about nine boxes altogether now, and she is as well as ever, and going to school every day, having started in again three weeks ago. Her cure was undoubtedly due to these pills.
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Reasons for Hope.
The Charlotte Observer says: "Our North Carolina schools are opening their fall terms. A majority of them have already begun operation and the others will open this week. It is a source of gratification to observe that all of them from which reports have been received have begun prosperously, or have assurances of doing so. This applies to both the male and the female schools. The times could afford no more encouraging sign than this. It indicates that our people are easier in money matters than they have been, but above this and more important than this, it proves a growth in the educational spirit among us. As to the first proposition—that the people are more comfortable, financially—there have been abundant evidences of this during the summer in the many and successful railroad excursions and in the number—greater than ever before—of North Carolinians at springs, in the mountains and at the seaside resorts. It is nothing but a pleasure to note that our people have the time and the means for recreation and pleasure; but this is hardly to be mentioned in connection with the other and vastly more important proposition that they are becoming more adroit to those things which look to the future welfare of their children. Nature has dealt generously with North Carolina, but it will never be the great State that nature designed it to be until its people become an educated people."

Shaving by Machinery.
Shaving a man in twenty-five seconds is a feat deserving of the highest praise and reward by all such as value their time. The feat has been rendered easy of performance by the construction of a shaving machine of wood, reported to have been made by one Melchior Farkas, a convict in the cabinet-making shop of the prison, and, taking to his work with a will, he soon displayed great inventive ingenuity. With his machine he is said to have shaved all the inmates of the prison, nearly 150 in number, within less than an hour's time. The report fails to state, however, to what extent the shaving by machinery did or did not succeed in giving comfort to the sufferer in the chair.

Lafayette's Grant of Land.
No man was ever more highly honored in this country than Lafayette during his second visit. In 1825 he came as the guest of the nation, remained over a year, and during that time visited every one of the twenty-four States which then composed the Union, and was everywhere received with popular enthusiasm. In consideration of his services during the revolutionary war Congress voted him a grant of \$200,000, and in addition to that 24,000 acres of land, to be located by him anywhere among the unappropriated lands belonging to the national government. His 68th birthday was spent at the White House. After his visit he sailed for France in the Brandywine, and in 1834 died in Paris.

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